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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 & § 1.98

SIR:

In conformance with Applicants' duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and § 1.97(b)(3), the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449 are hereby brought to the Examiner's attention.

In accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, copies of the references are submitted herewith.

Statement of Relevancy

The references were cited in a Search Report issued by the European Patent Office in the corresponding EP Patent Application No. 98 124043.5. A copy of the Search Report is also enclosed.

It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of

DEC 19 2000 TECHNOLOGY CENTER 1700 record therein and appear in the "references cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

Respectfully submitted,

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